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FOR: METHOD OF TREATING HAIR :

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.118-
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GROUP 1616

RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the outstanding Official Action of December 26, 2002 reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Claims 1-5 and 7 remain active in this application:

The present invention is directed to a method of treating hair and a pre-shampoo treatment.

Methods for treating hair which result in improved feel, stylability and manageability have typically been treatment of shampooed wet hair. Unfortunately, such conventional hair treatment methods leave room for improved performance in terms of feel and stability.

The present invention addresses this problem by providing a method for treating hair comprising applying to dry hair a composition comprising an oil agent and a solvent wherein